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Tyndall officer selected 2001-2002 International Affairs Fellow

2nd Lt. Brian Cortez
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The International Affairs Fellowship Advisory Selection Committee and the Council on Foreign Relations has selected Capt. Lawrence J. Spinetta, 1st Fighter Squadron instructor pilot/safety officer, as an Air Force representative here at Tyndall for the 2001-2002 International Affairs Fellow this past March.

Captain Spinetta graduated from the Air Force Academy and earned his masters degree in public policy at Harvard. He has flown missions as an F-15 fighter pilot and is more than qualified for the job as International Affairs Fellow, according to Lt. Col. Dave Freaney, 1st Fighter Squadron commander. "Captain Spinetta's hard work, experience and capability will serve him well in the Air Force and eventually in the civilian world," said

Colonel Freaney.

"It's important that junior officers think about foreign policy issues in the Air Force. It takes younger folks to put an impact on future policies that will have an effect on all of us on an international level," said Captain Spinetta.

The International Affairs Fellowship Program is for individuals from the government, business, professional and academic communities. They seek to bridge the gap between analysis and action in foreign policy by supporting a variety of policy studies and active experiences in policy-making. Academic and other professionals from the private sector spend fellowship tenures in public service or in a policy-making setting; while government officials have the opportunity for systematic assessment of foreign policy issues in a research environment.

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Courtesy photo

Training to tame the blaze

Members of the 325th Fighter Wing fire-protection flight battle a mock airplane blaze to keep within their training regimen. Training takes place seven days a week, day and night in order to keep the skills of the firefighters top-notch. For more on the fire-protection flight, see the feature, Page 10.

Tyndall celebrates volunteering with week of events

Airman 1st Class Russell Crowe
325th Fighter Wing
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Team Tyndall celebrates volunteering Sunday through April 28 with a plethora of events planned to thank and recognize those who give of themselves to make their surroundings better.

"National Volunteer Week is a great opportunity for us to show our volunteers that they are appreciated and that what they do counts — that it really means a lot to the community," said Catherine Tarrant, volunteer resource program manager for the 325th Fighter Wing. "The volunteers don't do what they do to be recognized, they do it because they love their community and this is an opportunity for us to show them that we care about and appreciate them."

The programs kick off Sunday at base chap-

els where volunteers will receive special recognition during the chapel services. Monday, the second day of volunteer festivities, kicks off a work-week full of specials for volunteers. The 325th Services Squadron is offering discounted prices to all volunteers at a large number of their facilities throughout the week.

The 'grand poo-bah' of events is the Volunteer Recognition Social at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Heritage Park. Brig. Gen. William F. Hodgkins, 325th FW commander, will be at the event where Tyndall's top volunteers are set to be recognized for their superior service.

"The volunteer social is our big event for the week," Mrs. Tarrant added. "We invite all of our volunteers to come out and we announce the recipients of the Volunteer Excellence Awards. These are lifetime achievement awards for volunteering that can only be received once. We're

only giving these to five out of more than 600 volunteers, so it's a real honor to receive one. To get one you've either been doing a lot of volunteering over a short period of time, or you've done a lot of volunteering over a long period of time."

Wednesday, volunteers can attend a Seminar for Successful Living at the family support center from 2-3:30 p.m., followed Thursday by special discounts from Army and Air Force Exchange Service stores here. The events are wrapped up on Friday with Information, Tickets and Tours inviting volunteers to their Travel Expedition 2001.

"I think it really speaks well for our members and families here at Tyndall, even though most of them are temporary members of the community, that they come here and try to make it a better place when they leave than it was when

they came — to make an impact on the community, to make it better for their families," Mrs. Tarrant said.

"We're just so proud to be able to recognize our volunteers because they do so much for us. A lot of times it seems like the community doesn't realize how much our volunteers are giving. This gives us a chance to say 'thanks, we know what you're doing and we truly appreciate it,'" she continued.

According to Mrs. Tarrant, the best part of volunteering is the hands-on partnerships and friendships you build working with your fellow man.

"I've been a volunteer many times myself and still to this day I do some volunteer work," she said. "To me the best thing about volunteering

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is the people. The people whose lives you touch and the ones that aren't exactly sure where they can get help or if someone cares. Then a volunteer is there to help them. That's what volunteering is all about. Definitely though, the best thing for me, and I think for most people, is the satisfaction that comes from helping others and knowing for that particular person or that particular family, you were able to make a difference."

The benefits you receive from doing volunteer work, though not monetary or high-visibility, make all the effort worthwhile, she said.

“There’s an amazing feeling you get from helping others. After a while you start to want to get that feeling more often and then you find yourself volunteering more. There’s just an absolutely indefinable feeling you get from helping people around you. And sometimes the people that you serve end up helping you just as much, if not more, than you help them. So oftentimes you get more in return than you bargained for.”

For information on volunteer programs or National Volunteer Week, contact Mrs. Tarrant at 283-4204.



Limiting the impact of mosquitoes is a full-time job

Capt. Carl J. Williams

Tyndall Public Health Office

Limiting the impact of mosquitoes for Tyndall residents and employees is based on a three-pointed approach: public education, personal protection, and sustainable, integrated mosquito management. Sustainable, integrated mosquito management on Tyndall includes surveillance of adult mosquitoes and larvae, biological control, and adulticide (an insecticide to kill adult mosquitoes) application. This article will provide basic education about mosquito-transmitted diseases, as well as inform you as to the methods this base uses to protect you from the potential hazards that mosquitoes represent and ways that you can help yourself and the base.

Mosquito-borne diseases are a major public health problem internationally. In the United States, dengue and malaria are frequently brought back from tropical and subtropical countries by travelers or migrant laborers, and autochthonous transmission (unusual transmission that occurs in the U.S. because of reintroduction) of malaria and dengue occasionally occurs. In 1998, 90 confirmed cases of dengue and 1,611 cases of malaria were reported in the U.S. and dengue transmission has occurred in Texas. Other vector-borne diseases continue to pose a public health threat. Even though the reported incidence of most of these diseases is

low (in 1997, 10 cases of eastern equine encephalitis, 115 of LaCrosse, and 14 of St. Louis encephalitis [SLE]), occasional epidemics, e.g., of SLE (1,967 cases in 1975 and 247 cases in 1990, mostly in Florida) have resulted in aerial applications of insecticides, primarily malathion. In addition, new vector-borne threats continue to emerge. In 1999, West Nile virus, an Old World flavivirus related to Saint Louis encephalitis virus, was first recorded in New York. The virus, which is transmitted by mosquitoes, caused a serious outbreak (62 cases, seven deaths) and signaled the potential for similar outbreaks in the Western Hemisphere. Pesticides, which traditionally have been used in response to epidemics, have a role in public health as part of sustainable integrated mosquito management for the prevention of vector-borne diseases. Although these diseases can occur and have occurred in Florida, cases like this are the exception and not the rule. However, any mosquito that bites us is a nuisance, so there are a few good reasons to try and control their population.

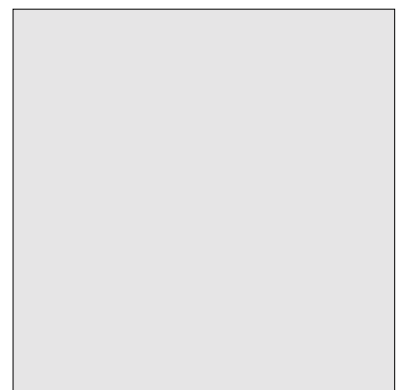
The mosquitoes that bite us are all female mosquitoes in search of a blood meal. The protein found in blood is needed by them to lay eggs and complete the reproductive cycle. Many mosquitoes, but not all, prefer to lay their eggs in small, protected areas that contain water, and are thus called container breeders. The classic example of a mosquito that does this is *Aedes aegypti*, the Asian tiger mosquito. It is capable

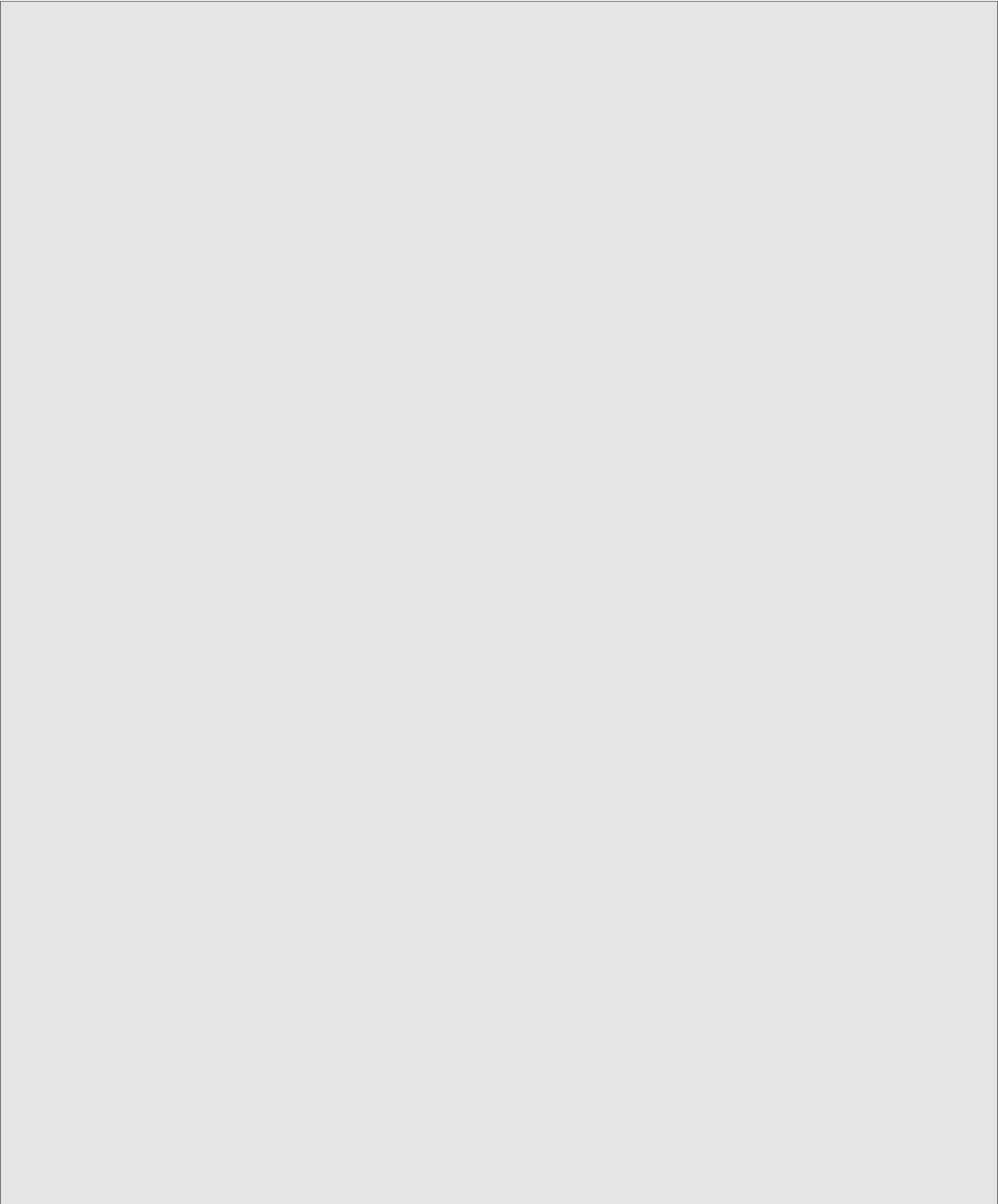
of transmitting dengue fever and yellow fever. This mosquito is present on Tyndall and you can help reduce its breeding area by making sure you don't have any standing water around your home or office. This mosquito will grow in empty cans, tires, birdbaths, flowerpots or any small area that can collect water. This is called habitat reduction and is critical in reducing numbers of adult mosquitoes.

Another level of protection is added when people use personal protection, such as DEET. This is an insect repellent that works very effectively and is found in most commercial repellent applications. The Environmental Protection Agency has an excellent web site with good information regarding the safe use of these products. The site can be viewed at: <http://www.epa.gov/pesticides/citizens/insectrp.htm>.

Surveillance for mosquitoes, and the resulting control measures, involves a couple of procedures and agencies on Tyndall. Del-Jen, the contractor in charge of pest management on base, samples surface water sources looking for mosquito larvae. They search in small lakes and ponds that always contain water, as well as areas that periodically flood, such as ditches and other low-lying areas. When they identify mosquito larvae they place a bacterial agent in the water that will kill the larvae, but will cause no

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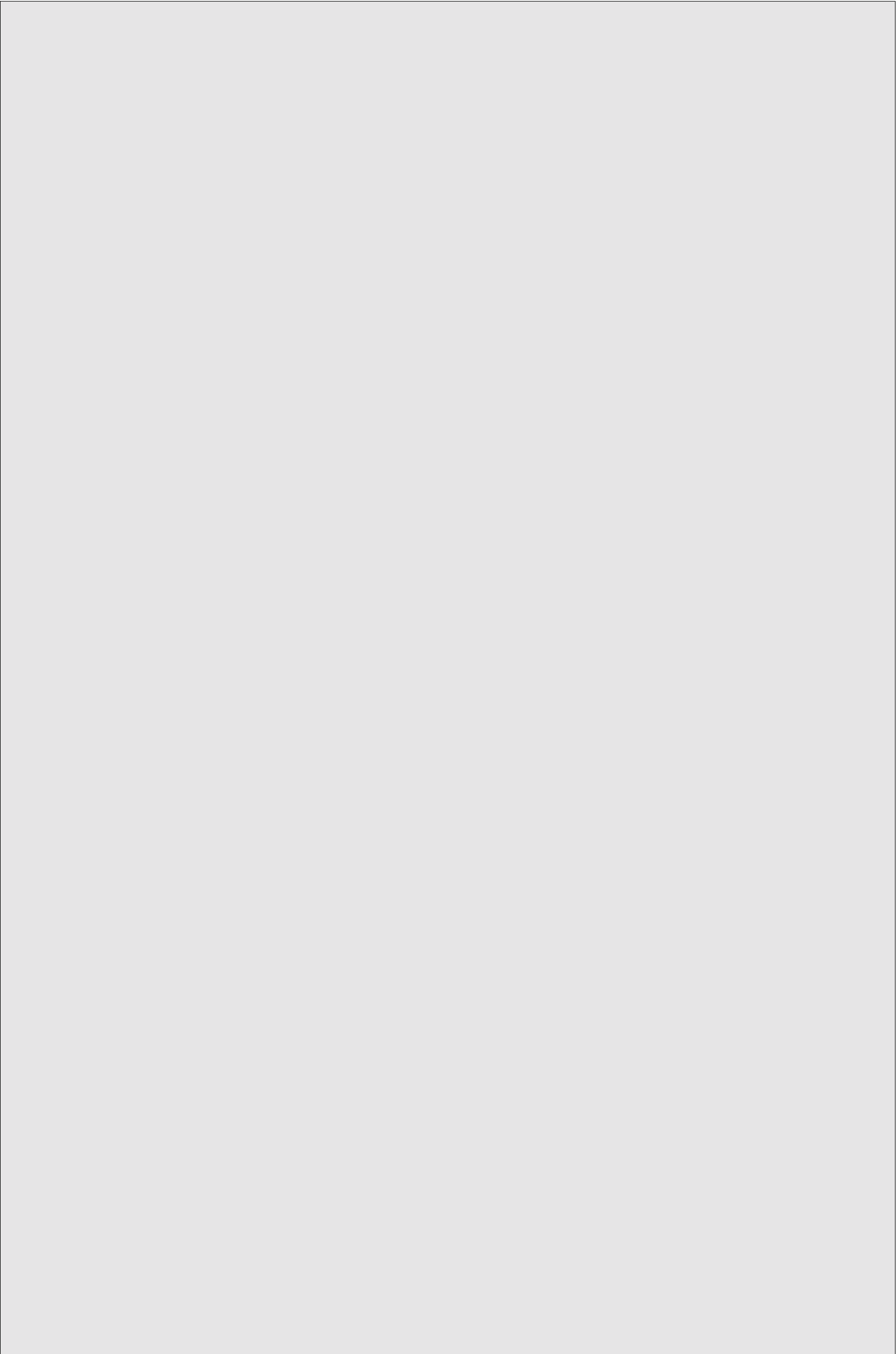
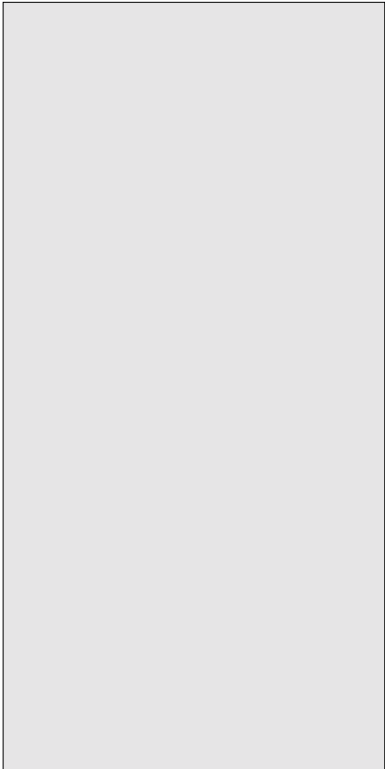
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The program is open to U.S. citizens between the ages of 27 and 35. The competition is multi-disciplinary; past recipients have included practitioners and scholars in the fields of political science, economics, history, philosophy, law, journalism, business and government. While a Ph.D. is not a requirement, successful candidates generally hold advanced degrees and possess a solid work experience. The program does not fund pre- or post-doctoral scholarly research, work toward a degree or the completion of projects for which substantial progress has been made prior to the fellowship period.

The 1st Air Force Advisory Selection Committee deems the following criteria of particular importance: scholarly qualification, achievements, and promise; or, for the non-academic candidate, depth and breadth of professional experience; originality and potential of the proposed work; contemporary policy relevance and importance of the project; likelihood of completing the work during the fellowship period; and a project that provides valuable career development via a sufficiently contrasting experience.

Captain Spinetta will start his job in 1st Air Force in July. He will be going to New York City, N.Y. He will be working with military interventions, relief organizations and the United Nations.

“The 1st Fighter Squadron will be sad to see Captain Spinetta, a quality officer, leave us,” said Colonel Freaney. “But we know he is moving up to a very important position and he will represent the best interests of the Air Force in foreign policy.”



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Category	'00	'01	Trend
On duty	1	0	-1
Off duty	10	4	-6
Traffic	5	2	-3
Sports	4	1	-3
Fatalities	1	0	-1
DUIs	14	9	-5

Commander's Corner



Brig. Gen. William F. Hodgkins
325th Fighter Wing commander

I'm sure you, as I, were happy and relieved for the 24 EP-3 crewmembers that returned to U.S. ground April 12 during Operation Valiant Return. These troops were detained in China for 11 days after making an emergency landing at a Chinese airstrip following a midair collision April 1 with a Chinese F-8 aircraft. We have to remind ourselves that this crew is made up of folks just like you and me. There is little doubt in my mind that when they were briefing the mission, they didn't realize the eyes of the world would be upon them. That's why the air superiority training we provide here is so important. The men and women we train today could be in harm's way within a matter of weeks. The EP-3 crew demonstrated the importance of their training—if it had not been superb, there's a good chance they would have lost their lives in the incident.

I want everyone to know what a great job Team Tyndall did in the Air Force Assistance Fund campaign this year. Preliminary estimates show that we exceeded our goal by more than 180 percent. Outstanding! Thanks and congratulations to our great AFAF team that organized this year's



campaign and led us to success. Awesome job everyone, especially **Capt. Gregory J. Fike**, 85th Test and Evaluation Squadron and 2001 AFAF Installation Project Officer, for his many hours of dedication to this worthwhile campaign.

And finally, the weather is getting warmer and I know all of you want to have fun in the sun, but I hope that everyone will try to be safe out there. There are plenty of outdoor activities available to us here in our gulf-front community but there are precautions to take as well. The two things I ask from you are to weigh the risks of your activities so you can make smart, responsible decisions and look out for each other. Our quality of life at Tyndall rivals any in the Air Force, but that dream lifestyle can turn into a nightmare if we don't play smart.

Have a great Air Force Week!

Tyndall's chapel schedule

Protestant
Communion Service: 9:30 a.m. Chapel 1
General Protestant Service: 11 a.m. Chapel 2
Sunday school: 9:30 a.m.
Kids' Club: 2:45-5:45 p.m.
Wednesday
Chapel 1: 283-2691
Chapel 2: 283-2925
Other faith groups: Call 283-2925

Catholic
Daily Mass: noon Monday through Friday, Chapel 2
Reconciliation: 4 p.m. Saturday
Mass: 5 p.m. Saturday, Chapel 2
Mass: 9:30 a.m. Sunday, Chapel 2
Religious education: 10:50 a.m. Sunday

Action Line



2nd Lt. Jon Cartwright

More than just gatekeepers

Lt. Col. Eugene Robinett, 325th Security Forces Squadron commander, observes the indicator alarm system with Staff Sgt. Avery McClendis, 325th SFS desk sergeant.

The Action Line is your direct line to me. It is one way to make Tyndall a better place to work and live.

Action Line calls are recorded and staffed through the proper agency. The goal is to provide you with an accurate, timely response. You must leave your name, phone number or address to receive a response.

Questions or comments of general interest will be published in this forum. This avenue should only be used after coordinating problems or concerns with supervisors, commanders, first sergeants or

facility managers. If you're not satisfied with the response or you are unable to resolve the problem, call me at 283-2255.

For **fraud, waste and abuse** calls, you should talk to the office of inspections, 283-4646. Calls concerning **energy abuse** should be referred to the energy hot line, 283-3995.

Brig. Gen. William F. Hodgkins
325th Fighter Wing commander

Are you good enough?

Chief Master Sgt. Keith Cobb
71st Flying Training Wing command chief

VANCE AIR FORCE BASE, Okla. (AETCNS) - Are you good enough for our Air Force? This is not only a question we should ask ourselves in the profession of arms, but one we should ask of those who are considering staying in America's Air Force or leaving it to find employment in the civilian sector.

Two weeks ago, I attended the Air Education and Training Command Command Chief's Conference at Randolph Air Force Base, Texas. During the conference, retired Chief Master Sgt. of the Air Force Eric Benken spoke about Air Force values and retention.

Chief Benken said we tend to focus on the wrong issues when it comes to retention. Instead of focusing on pay and benefits and trying to draw some artificial

comparison with the private sector, which few of us know anything about, we should look our troops in the eye and ask, "Are you good enough for our Air Force? Do you have the character it takes to be a military professional? Are you technically competent and do you measure up to the rigor of military life? Are you tough enough to handle the pressures placed upon you by this unique and challenging way of life? What do you bring to this team - the greatest Air Force ever assembled in world history?"

Recently, we've taken a "grass is greener" view of the private sector, based primarily on media hype over a robust economy. Of course many of those who made the decision to separate now face a different economy - one that can lead to an uncertain future.

Pay and compensation are

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harm to any humans, pets or wildlife. Additionally, each summer Public Health sets out traps to quantify the number of adult mosquitoes present in a given area. When we find at least a certain number, called the threshold level, we will contact Del-Jen so that they may apply adulticide to reduce the population. Del-Jen currently uses malathion, applied at Ultra Low Levels (ULV) to control adult mosquito populations. Malathion is an organophosphate insecticide that has a wide margin of safety and poses no health risks to adults or children in this application format. For additional information review the following EPA web site: <http://www.epa.gov/pesticides/op/malathion.htm>. But what about ticks, no-see-ums and chiggers? These are also insects or arachnids that bite us and can reduce the quality of our lives. Personal protection and habitat avoidance are key to reducing the

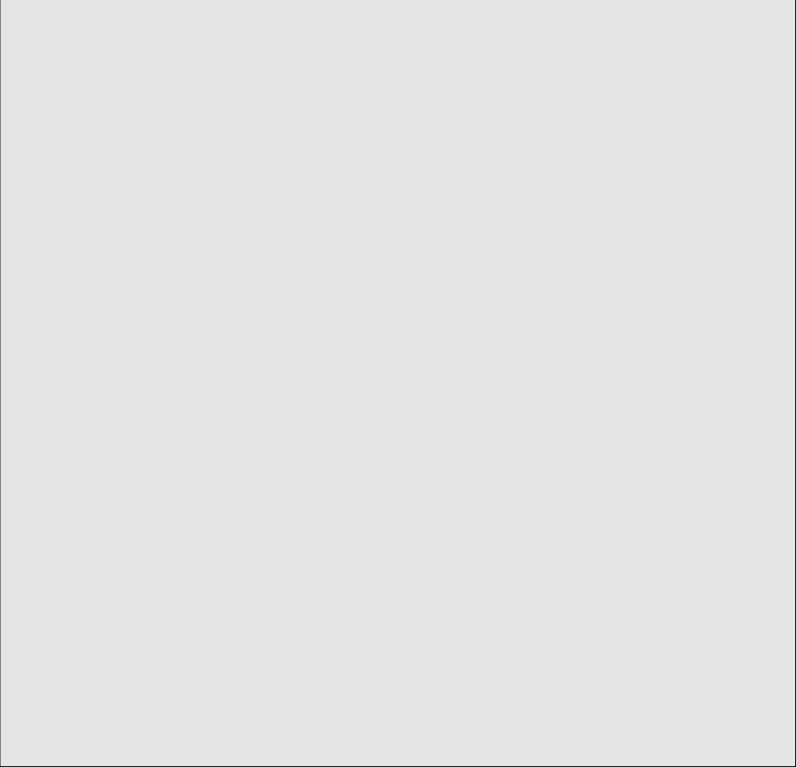
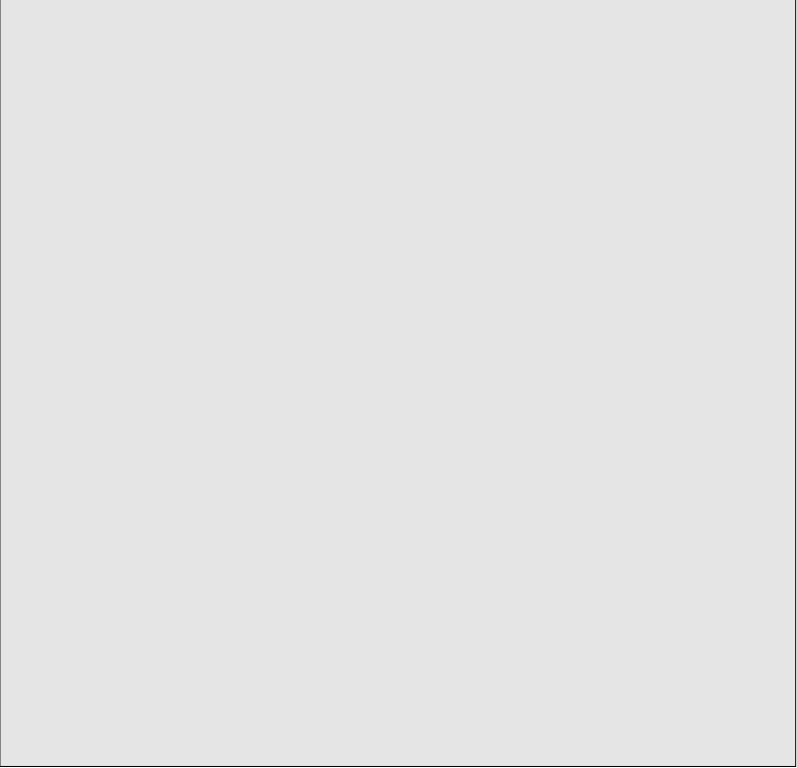
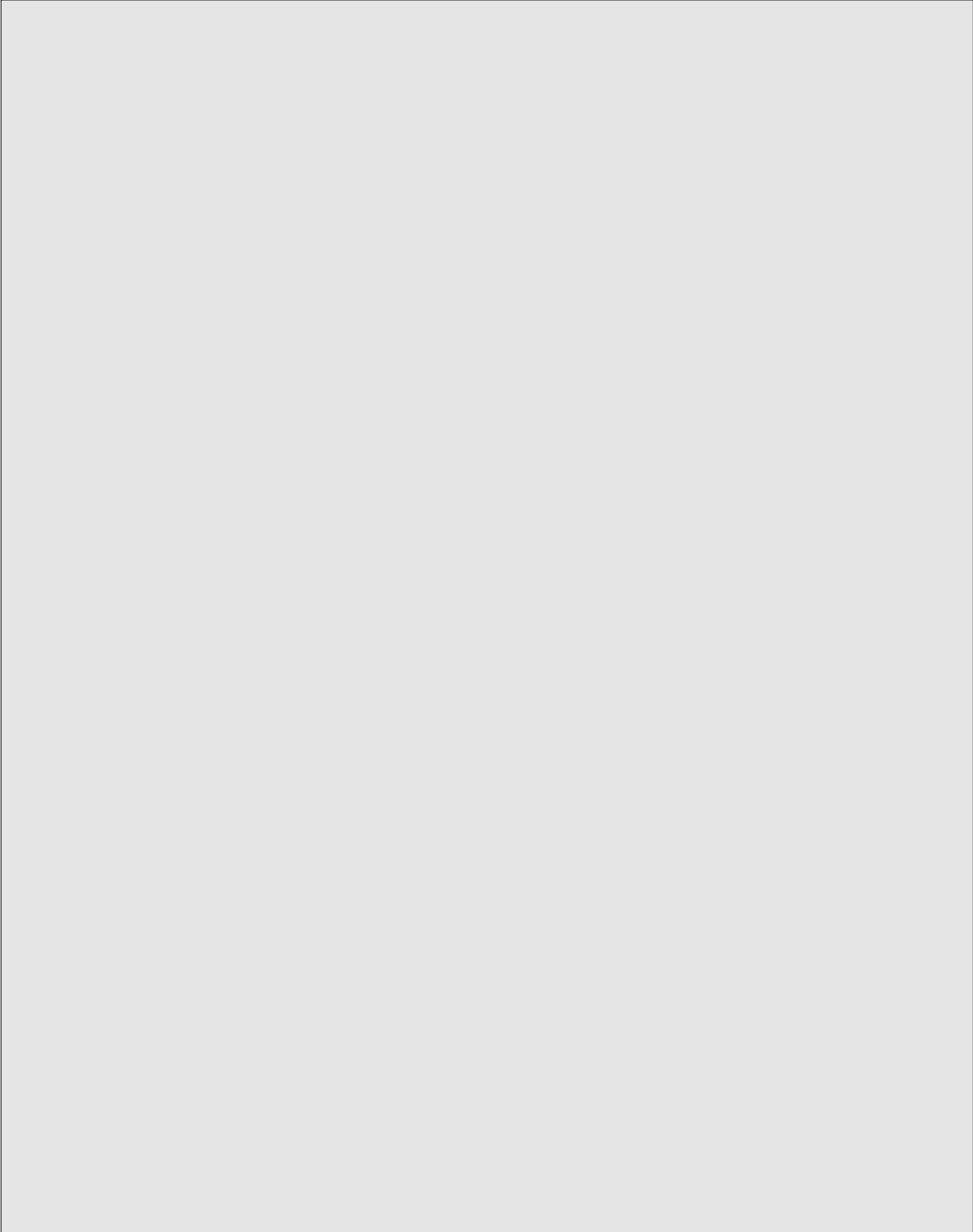
impact these arthropods will have on your life. Using DEET on exposed portions of skin will dramatically lower the number of bites you receive. Also, wear your sleeves rolled down and long pants tucked into boots and socks when in infested areas. This will help you identify ticks and facilitate their removal. It will also help prevent ticks and other insects from biting and attaching to you. Because these arthropods are of no serious medical concern (in the same way mosquitoes are) environmental application of pesticides to control their numbers is not allowed. This means it is up to each of us individually to protect ourselves. I’m sure many of you have questions about Lyme disease or ehrlichiosis (both tick-transmitted diseases), but these are rare in this area. If you have any questions, please call the public health office, 283-7138 and we would be glad to talk with you about them. Just remember to practice good personal protection and you will have a fun and safe spring and summer.

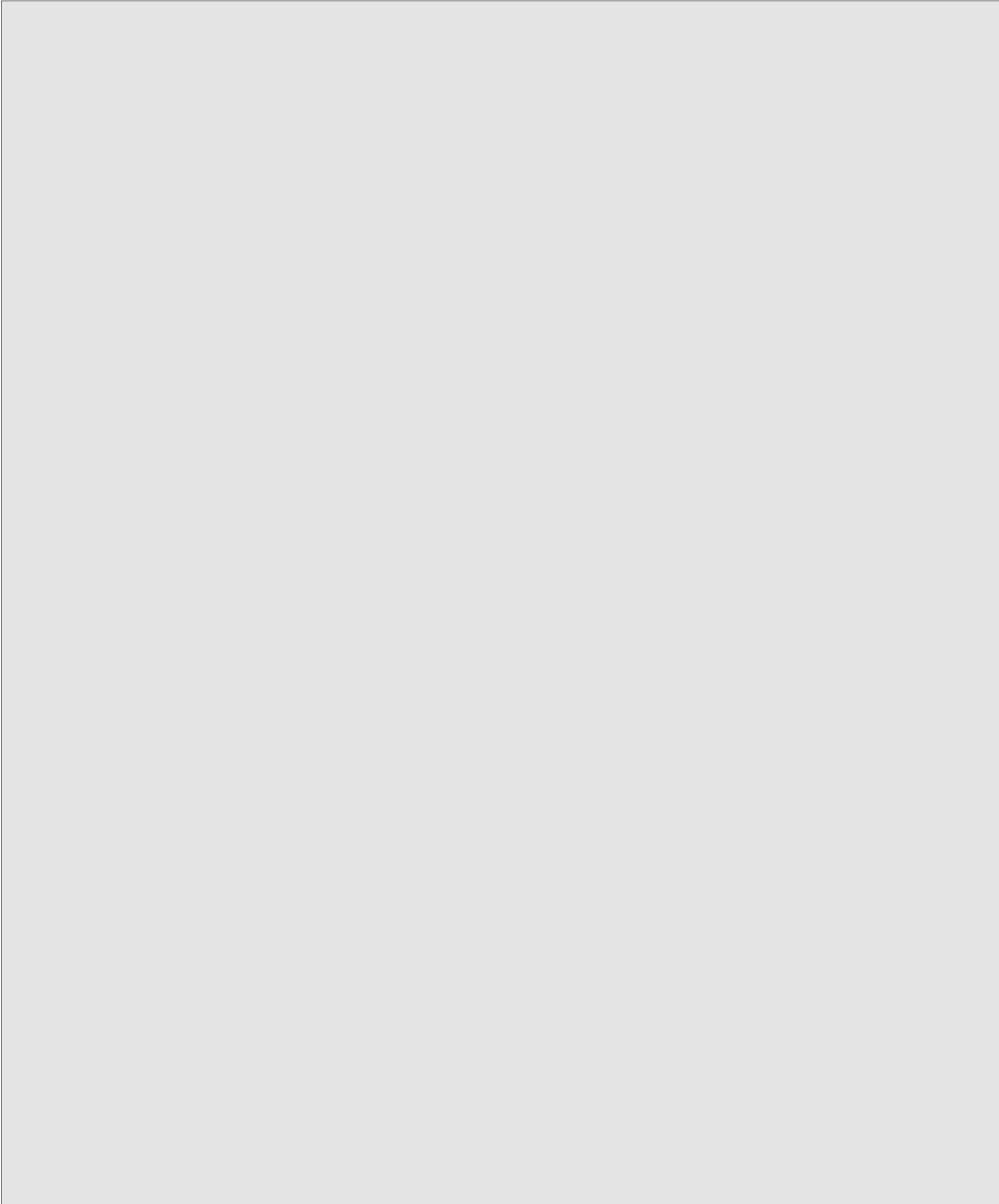
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certainly important, but as Chief Benken noted, of the hundreds of separating airmen he asked to follow through and report their civilian compensation, not one responded. Perhaps they found the opposite was true - their military compensation was comparable or even better than what they were receiving as civilians. No one really knows for certain why they didn’t report back; however, these are a few things we should consider regarding military pay and compensation, many of which are lifetime benefits: ●A twenty-year retirement plan that doesn’t cost a penny. ●Thirty days’ vacation with pay each year plus federal holidays and flexible time-off. ●Free medical and dental care for servicemembers. ●Extremely affordable life insurance. ●Educational assistance - GI bill,

100 percent tuition assistance. ●Portions of pay that aren’t taxed (housing, subsistence), per diem when on a temporary duty assignment. ●Subsidized child care; ●Free access to fitness centers and reduced costs for other recreational activities like golf, swimming and bowling. ●Free legal advice. ●Commissary and base exchange benefits of reduced or competitive prices and no tax. ●Opportunity to serve at locations worldwide. ●Clear and fair promotion paths. Chief Benken went on to say that while pay and compensation are very important, and they continue to improve year after year, we should pay close attention to the intangibles of service. He said we should consider that in addition to the tangible benefits, we have the opportunity to serve in the most respected profession in the United States.

“You serve in a place where words like valor, courage, compassion and character take on an added dimension. You walk in the shadows of fallen heroes who have protected this nation in past wars,” said Chief Benken. “You serve in a profession that cares tremendously about its people - in the private sector there are no first sergeants, commanders or family support systems to assist when you have a problem. You wear the uniform of the greatest Air Force in the world—in the aggregate, there are very few that get the opportunity to do so. You serve in a profession where your responsibility is preserving democracy, where the bottom line of the balance sheet is freedom, not profit.” Retention is a personal choice, and we should thank those who leave for their contributions and service. But before we consider someone for retention, we should first ask them, “Are you good enough?”





Tyndall participates in Earth Day, continues efforts to protect the planet

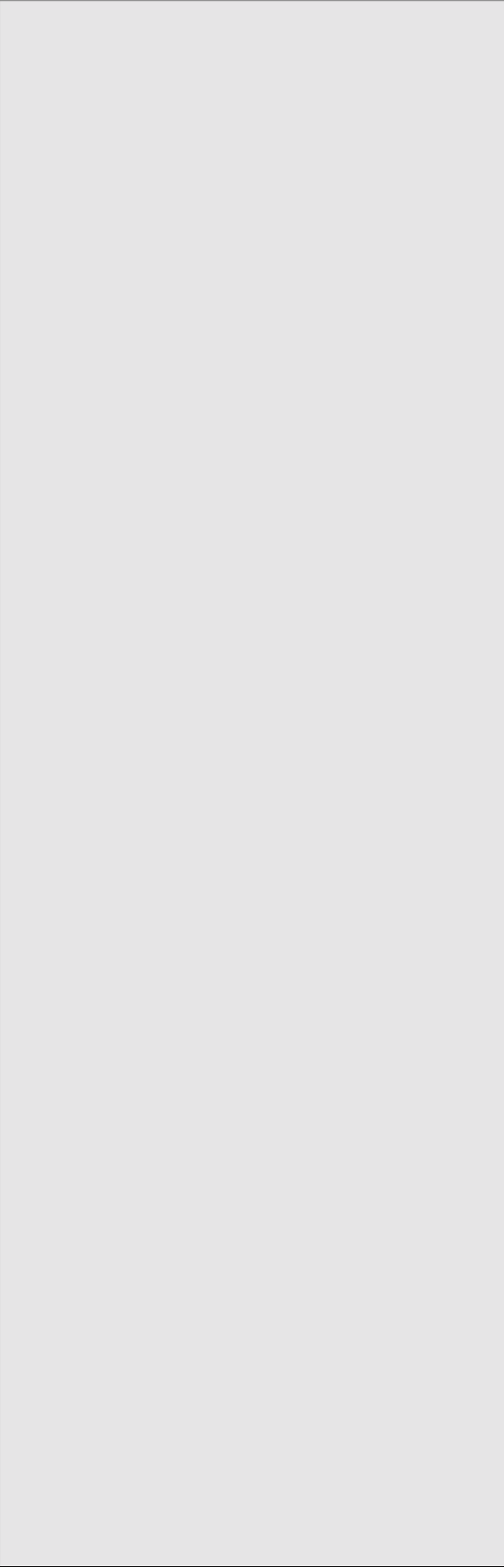
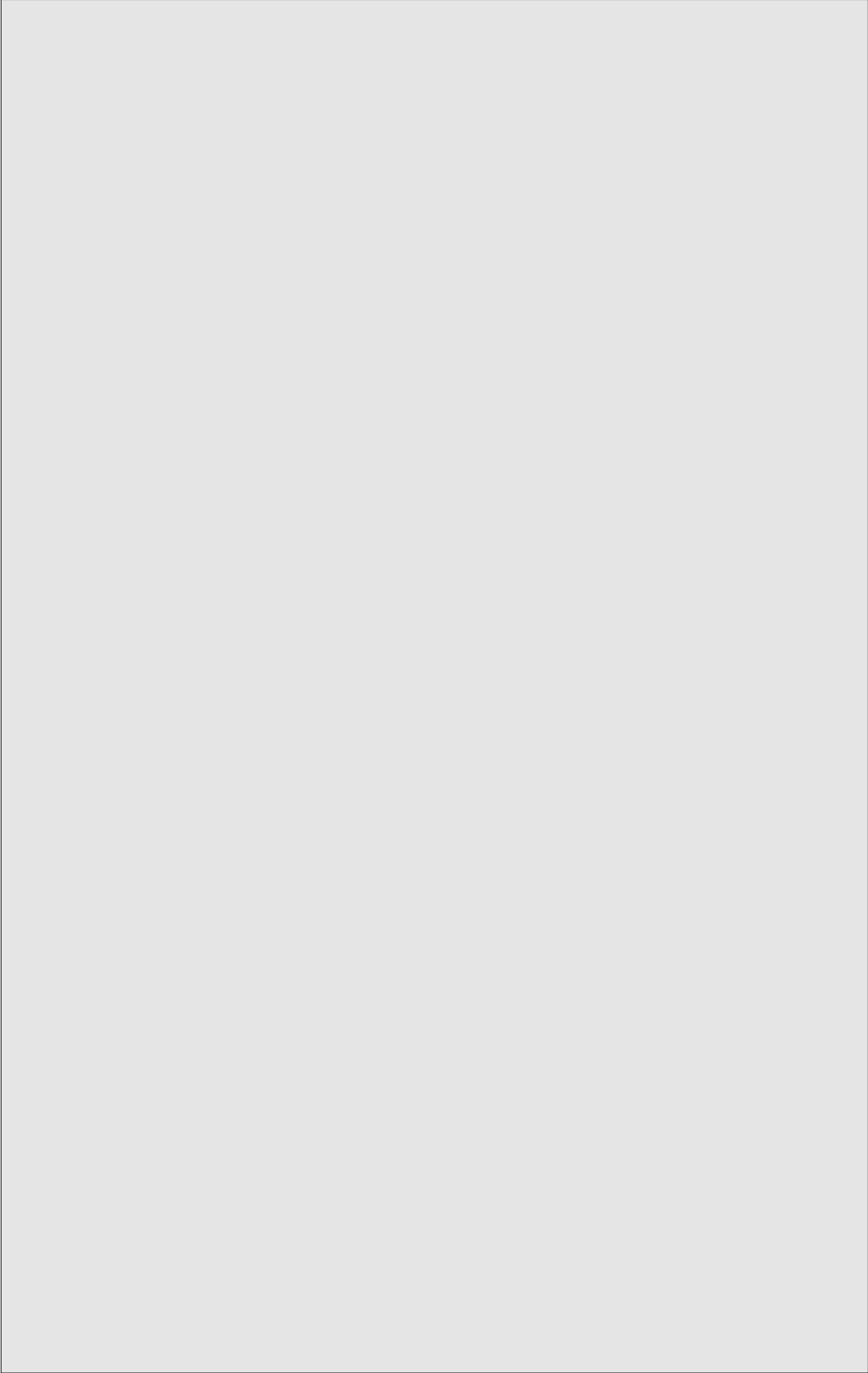
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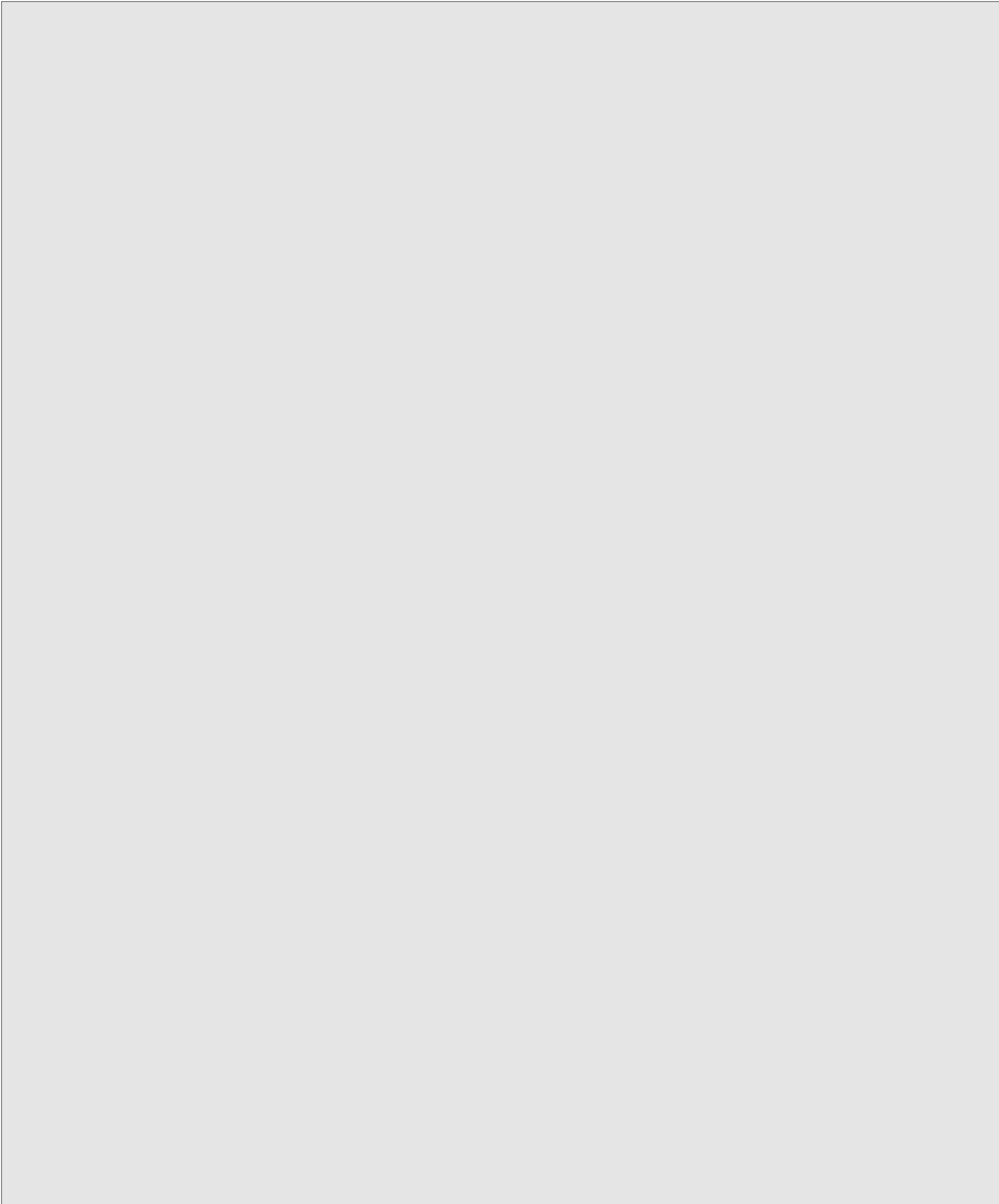
The 31st annual celebration of Earth Day is Sunday. Tyndall will celebrate Earth Day Sunday through Thursday and environmental issues are addressed throughout the year for the overall protection of the environment. The first organized Earth Day began April 22, 1970. Since then, people all

over the world have become more aware of the conservation of energy sources, learned ways to decrease water and air pollution and increased their involvement with recycling. There are so many simple things that can be done that benefit the world we live in. Due to the commitment and involvement of environmental specialty groups, school children, youth groups and the general public, the environment continues to benefit from their efforts.

The natural resources flight is doing their part to help save the earth and improve the environment. They will be planting three historic trees around Deer Run nature trail located behind Natural Resources off De Jarnette Road. These trees are purchased from the historic society and have historic documentation. Last year, five trees were planted and are doing fine. Bob Bates,

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Features

The heat is on—

Tyndall firefighters train to keep troops, resources safe

Airman 1st Class Russell Crowe
325th Fighter Wing
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Smokey the Bear ain't got nothing on these guys.

Even with short manning and long hours, Tyndall Air Force Base's fire protection flight makes good ole' Smokey look like Winnie the Pooh.

But they only make it look easy.

"It's a common misconception that firefighters sit around all the time," said Senior Master Sgt. Charles Jorgensen, Tyndall's deputy fire chief. "Since this is their home away from home there will be down time. But a typical firefighter's day is full of activities - it's not drinking coffee and playing cards at the station. They're training, they're responding, they're on stand-by."

In order to keep in tip-top shape, both mentally and physically, base firefighters constantly train, exercise and prepare.

"Beyond the training our folks get at technical school, we have about 20 additional certifications depending on duty position," Sergeant Jorgensen said. "We have some people that are certified beyond their duty positions, which is a great thing for our program. We're probably in the top one or two percent of the Department of Defense as far as certification to duty positions."

Tyndall firefighters have no problems remembering to stop, drop and roll. Using training to constantly make sure they're up-to-date helps to keep the Tyndall fire protection team at the top of their game.

"We have so many people training in so many different areas," Sergeant Jorgensen said. "Some people are training through correspondence, some through career development courses and some through courses offered in the civilian sector - like a course taught by Texas A&M University. All that in addition to courses taught at the DOD Fire School at Goodfellow Air Force Base."

Fighting fires takes a certain kind of person. When you're dealing with one of nature's elements, things can get pretty hot. Room temperatures in a fire can be 100 degrees at floor level and up to 600 degrees at eye level.

"This is a job that's more than just coming to work - these guys are constantly working to get the certification for the next level, to take the next step. We have a troop attending paramedic training. We also have reoccurring proficiency training, plus firefighters also receive Prime BEEF readiness training for deployment around the world. Currently, we have three, six-person fire operations teams that support Air Expeditionary Force taskings throughout the world. Our firefighters take this job seriously," Sergeant

Jorgensen said. "We just had three firefighters return from 90 days in Kuwait. We work hard to ensure we're ready to respond when needed."

The training plan is simple, like my brother-in-law Phil. But unlike Phil, this plan works. And it has to work - in this business there's no room for error.

"We have hard-working people here, both civilian and military," Sergeant Jorgensen added. "We make sure the job gets done. The bottom line is when lives and property are at stake, there's no room for mistakes - mistakes are lives."

Team Tyndall firefighters pummel the competition when it comes to who's tops. While the total fire loss for the Air Education and Training Command was \$500,000, Tyndall barely clocked in with a mere \$3,750 in fire loss for calendar year 2000. Tyndall's fire programs prove they are continuing to educate, train and protect base resources and people. An especially impressive feat when you take into account the base covers more than 29,000 acres and has a major highway running through the middle of it.

During 2000 they responded to more than 665 calls. In an effort to help alleviate some of the workload, the building of a new fire station is in the works. The station would cut response times and offer quicker and better coverage for everyone.

"Our firefighters here are doing a great job ensuring the safety of Tyndall troops, families and resources," said Col. Worth Carter, 325th Support Group commander. "They have one of the lowest fire loss rates demonstrating that they are some of the Air Force's very best."



Photos by 2nd Lt. Brian Cortez

Staff Sgt. William Hadley and Senior Airman Ian Mortensen, demonstrate how to patch a leak on a 150-pound chlorine tank using a class -A chlorine patch kit. They wear a level A, totally encapsulating suit made to keep the technicians from inhaling or coming in contact with any of the chlorine leaking from the cylinder.



Above: Airman 1st Class Nicholas J. Andros and Airman 1st Class Brian J. Hyland carry a training dummy representing a fire victim at a fire training drill Tuesday.

Right: Airman Hyland pulls the water hose from the truck to the fire as part of the training.



We see seashells by the seashore



Atlantic auger



Atlantic bay scallop



lettered olive



Atlantic moon snail

Master Sgt. Sean E. Cobb

325th Fighter Wing
public affairs

For many people, one of their fondest memories of childhood is when they picked up a seashell for the first time and listened to the sounds of the ocean — even in the middle of Kansas.

With more than 96 varieties of seashells in Bay County and along Tyndall's beaches, there are more than enough shells for the listening, according to Jack Mobley, 325th Civil Engineer Squadron wildlife biologist.

"There are plenty of shells washing up on Tyndall's beaches for everyone," Mr. Mobley said. "Some of the most common are scallops, lettered olives, giant Atlantic cockles, Scotch bonnets, lightning whelks, Florida crown conches, Atlantic moon snails and Atlantic augers, but there are quite a few others out there also."

One of the rarer shells to be found is the emperor, or queen helmet, Mr. Mobley said. "This shell is normally located out in a water depth of ten to sixty feet," he said. "If someone finds this shell on the sand,

it's quite a rare find."

People collect shells for many reasons, Mr. Mobley said. "Some folks collect shells to sell them, some for souvenirs of their visit, some for the simple beauty of the shells," he said. "Different people collect for different reasons. A lot of people collect the shells because they are walking along the beach and the beauty of the shells catches their eye."

As for finding the shells, it is pretty much as easy as walking along the beach, Mr. Mobley said. "The best place to find shells is away from the crowded areas of the beach of course," he said. "Normally you will find them between the water and the high-tide mark, sometimes they are even buried in the sand, but for the most part they are just lying there waiting to be picked up."

Going along with the theory of finding shells away from people, the best time of day to find shells is early in the morning, according to Mr. Mobley. "Winter is a great time to find shells, also after a storm has passed," he said. "Pretty much they wash up all year round though, and early in the morning you can usually get first pick of the shells that washed up overnight."



Florida horse conch



Atlantic thorny oyster



lightning whelk



sunray venus



2nd Lt. Jon Cartwright

Lt. Col. William R. Morris, 1st Air Force current operations chief, and his daughters Brittany, middle, and Tiffany, right, collect shells at the Tyndall NCO Club Beach.



giant Atlantic cockle



emperor or queen helmet



true tulip

Spotlight



2nd Lt. James Danik

2nd Lt. Severen Ollinger with wife Amy and sons Christopher, 5, and Andrew, 3

Job Title: Air Battle Management student.
Why you joined the Air Force: I wanted to be part of a first-class team and enjoy the military way of life, and I am excited to have the opportunity to travel.
Years in Air Force: 6 months.
Hometown: Gainesville, Fla.
Time at Tyndall: 2 months.
Greatest aspect of your job: The challenge of learning something new.
Short-term goals: To finish settling in at Tyndall and do the best job possible at ABM.
Long-term goals: To continue my education.
Favorite book: “The Hobbit”
Favorite movie: “Green Berets”
Hobbies and activities: Woodworking, hunting, fishing, kayaking and spending time with my family.

Every member of Team Tyndall is valuable. Play it safe, don't become a statistic.



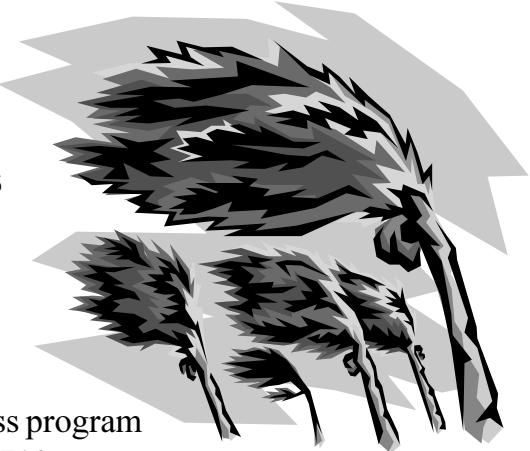
Hurricane season is coming

Hurricane season briefing

For spouses of deployed/remote services members

Date: May 12
Time: 11:00 a.m. – noon
Place: Family support center classroom, Building 743
Reason: Family preparation for the hurricane season

For further information, contact: Tech. Sgt. Aundra Christon, Family readiness program manager, 283-4856 or Mrs. Anita Pembleton, family life coordinator, 283-4710.



All in a day’s work

2nd Lt. Jon Cartwright

325th Fighter Wing
public affairs

“Ms. Jelly! Ms. Jelly!” screaming kids yell out as they enter the Tyndall Youth Center from their buses. Christine “Ms. Jelly” Manning, one of the school-age program assistants, calms the boisterous children down as they split up into their smaller groups. Mrs. Manning sits down with a group of ten children and goes over safety rules and the snack menu for the day before the kids run off to their next station.

Mrs. Manning has worked for the Tyndall Youth Center for four months now. The 40-hour work week, along with volunteer youth center activities on weekends are a direct reflection of the tremendous asset she is to Team Tyndall. “Mrs. Manning’s positive attitude and enthusiasm reflects on the children every day,” said Alma Hooks, youth center director. “The youth center is a second home for the children. We create a positive place for the youth to hang out with our before- and after-school programs and Mrs. Manning helps

maintain this objective.”

Mrs. Manning has been married for seven years to Tech. Sgt. James J. Manning III, quality assurance evaluator for the 325th Fighter Wing Logistics Squadron. “Watching the kids develop throughout the year is the greatest aspect of my job,” she said. She added that the enjoyment of working with kids is why she chose this job. Mrs. Manning tries to be a positive image in the children’s lives. Her hobbies, which include arts and crafts, softball and reading, correlate with the activities she helps plan for the children every day.

The youth center offers a multitude of activities every month and April is no exception. They observed Month of the Military Child, Child Abuse Prevention, Youth Sports Safety Month, Volunteer Appreciation Week, Professional Secretaries Week and the Boys and Girls Club of America Anniversary. A Kid Festival will be Saturday from 10 a.m - 4 p.m., and Teen Lock-In will be 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. on April 28. Call the youth center for more information about this and all other events at 283-4366.



2nd Lt. Jon Cartwright

Matthew Fontana, far left, paints his egg as Paige Randolph, middle, and Kenya Leprine, right, eagerly await their paint from Christine Manning.



Take time with your kids

*A wealth of knowledge
can be found inside the
cover of a book. Take
time to read, listen and
learn with your children
now — they’ll thank you
for it in the future.*

RED HORSE airman wins for 9th Air Force

Staff Sgt. James Delo, 823rd RED HORSE squadron structural contingency instructor, goes to Washington, D. C. to compete for the Air Force’s 12 Outstanding Airmen of the Year.

Sergeant Delo was selected by Air Combat Command as the 9th Air Force Airman of the Year.

Sergeant Delo will compete against winners from the entire Air Force 6 p.m. tonight at Robbins Air Force Base, Ga.

Wood Manor sewer line repairs continue

2nd Lt. Chris Ackert

325th Civil Engineer Squadron

The 325th Civil Engineer Squadron has recently completed a project that replaced the 50-year-old sewer lines from Wood Manor housing units to the main sewer lines.

Starting in the next few weeks, the civil engineer squadron will be continuing a project that will replace the main sewer lines in Wood Manor I and II.

Due to the necessity to dig in front yards and streets, there will be times

when residents will not be allowed to use their water or sewer services or have access to their driveways during the construction. These services include clothes washers, dishwashers, showers, sinks, bathtubs, toilets and garden hoses.

Residents will be notified in writing prior to work on their systems beginning. Please direct all questions and concerns to Huey Moore at 283-4731 or his cell phone at 867-5081.

Tyndall names 2001 first quarter award winners

Team Tyndall singled out five members and recognized their accomplishments for the first quarter of 2001. Award winners include:

Senior Airman Thomas D. Patterson – Airman of the quarter.

Tech. Sgt. Carl E. L. West – NCO of the quarter.

Master Sgt. Alphonso L. Tyson – Senior NCO of the quarter.

Capt. Dwight D. Minnick – Company grade officer of the quarter.

Senior Airman Paul Meyer – Honor Guard member of the quarter.

Look *Sharp* — show Tyndall pride!

**Your link
to what's going on**

Gulf Guide

**in the
Tyndall community**

APRIL

SUN 15

Base exchange Easter hours

The following base exchange facilities will be open Easter Sunday at the following times: main exchange, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Felix Lake Shoppette, 6 a.m.-9 p.m. All other facilities will be closed.

Commissary closure

The commissary will be closed Easter Sunday and Monday. It will re-open 9 a.m. Tuesday.

MON 16

Power outage

There will be a power outage Monday and Tuesday affecting Tyndall's Redfish Point housing area. The outage should last approximately two hours. Housing residents will be notified by flyer before the outage occurs. For more information, call construction representative Mr. Huey Moore, 283-4147 or 867-5081.

'Moms, Pops & Tots'

The parent and child interaction play group, "Moms, Pops & Tots," for parents and their under-age-five children meets 9:30-11 a.m. every Monday at the youth center. For more information, call 286-5812.

GCCC registration

Registration for Gulf Coast Community College's summer A semester will be Monday-May 4 at the college. Summer B registration will be June 13-15. Fall registration dates at GCCC will be Monday-April 20, July 9-20 and Aug. 15-17. For more information, call the education center, 283-4332.

TUE 17

Boating safety class

The Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 19 sailing fundamentals class will be 7-9 p.m. Tuesday in the auxiliary classroom next to the Coast Guard station. The eight-session sailing course will meet Tuesday and Thursday evenings through May 10. There is no cost for the course, but a \$25 material charge is necessary for the book and study guide. For more information and a course schedule, call 215-2025 or 769-1896.

OSC crystal bingo

The Tyndall Officers' Spouses Club's annual Crystal Bingo event will be 5:30 p.m. Tuesday at the officers' club. A social hour will be followed by dinner at 6:15 p.m. For more information reservations, call Terri Barthold, 286-2222.

Coastal navigation class

The Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 19 basic coastal navigation course will continue 7-9 p.m. Tuesday in Gulf Coast Community College's Student Union East building, Gibson lecture hall, Room 231. The course will be Tuesday and Thursday evenings through April 24. The cost for the course is \$35 for the textbook and materials. For more information, call John Clark, 271-3828 or visit the flotilla web site at: <http://clik.to/USGAUXFlotilla16>

Civil Air Patrol meeting

Civil Air Patrol meetings for boys and girls 12 years old and older will be held 6:00-8:30 p.m. every Tuesday in Building 852. The CAP offers local and national activities with a focus on educational and professional development. For more information, call Capt. Laura Palm, 283-7594, or Master Sgt. Perry Newberry, 283-4189.

WED 18

Anti-terrorism briefings

Mandatory Air Force Level One anti-terrorism briefings conducted by the Air Force Office of Special Investigations will be 8 a.m. the first and third Thursday of each month in Building 656 next door to the security forces building. The briefings will last approximately 30 minutes and are for Air Force members with permanent change of station or temporary duty assignments to overseas locations. For more information, call AFOSI Detachment 419 Counterintelligence Program Manager, Special Agent Doug Hartwell, 283-3261 or 283-3262.

NOTES

FSU office

The new Florida State University on-base office is now open 1-3:30 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays in Room 30 of the education center. In addition, Bob Shaw will be available 3-4 p.m. every Tuesday in Room 30 to talk with students about the bachelor's degree program in information studies offered at the FSU Panama City campus.

Yard-improvement supplies

Tyndall Family Housing residents can pick up landscaping timbers, mulch and other yard-improvement supplies noon-7 p.m. Monday-Friday and 8 a.m.-noon Saturday from the housing-improvement center, Building 3304. Plants can be ordered noon-7 p.m. on Wednesdays and picked up 8 a.m.-noon Saturdays or ordered 8 a.m.-noon Saturdays and picked up noon-7 p.m. Wednesdays. For more information, call Steve Calhoun, 283-4689 or Doug Hall, 283-4648. The plant program will end April 25.

Felix Lake shoppette hours

The Felix Lake Shoppette is now open 6 a.m.-9 p.m.

Voice mail appointments

The 325th Medical Group is now offering patients the option of using voice mail to request a routine or annual family practice appointment or to request an acute appointment from the family practice triage nurse. The voice mail system can be accessed by calling the appointments line, 283-2778, and leaving a message. Staff will call back between 10 a.m.-1 p.m. or 3 p.m.-4 p.m. for appointment scheduling and between 10 a.m.-2 p.m. for the triage nurse line. Patients should not leave a message if they believe they have an urgent medical problem.

Relocation program

Tyndall's Family Support Relocation Program offers assistance to those leaving Tyndall for new assignments. Civilian Department of Defense identification card holders and eligible family members are also authorized to use these services. The program offers Internet access to relocation-related web sites as well as brochures, videos, flyers and checklists. For more information, call 283-4204.

Child-care program

A new extended-duty child-care program has been implemented to assist parents whose work schedules temporarily require child care beyond the Tyndall Child Development Center's hours. This additional care is provided in a contracted licensed family child-care home. Arrangements must be coordinated with the CDC and the Family Child Care Program. For more information, call family child-care coordinator Ina Crawford, 283-2266.

AFROTC opportunity

The Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps is offering an opportunity to simultaneously finish a degree and earn a commission as a 2nd lieutenant in the Air Force. Qualified personnel who can graduate with at least a bachelor's degree in any academic major in Fiscal 2002 may be eligible. For more information and eligibility requirements, call or visit the base education office, 283-4285.

RETIREE NEWS

TRICARE retail network pharmacies

Retail network pharmacies are civilian pharmacies that are approved by TRICARE. TRICARE retail network pharmacies in the local area can be found by accessing available online directories at: www.tricare.osd.mil/pharmacy/retail_network.htm. Click on the applicable state to get to a TRICARE region and the location of the nearest retail network pharmacy.

To use a retail network pharmacy, a written prescription must be presented along with a military identification card. Anyone having difficulties getting a prescription filled at a network pharmacy may contact the Tyndall Beneficiary Counseling and Assistance Coordinator, 283-7331, or the TRICARE service center, (800) 444-5445.

For more information about the new pharmacy program, call the toll-free help desk, (877) 363-6337. The help desk is available 7 a.m.-11 p.m. weekdays.

National Mail Order Pharmacy

Typical processing and mail time is 11 days from receipt of an order. Orders will be processed promptly upon receipt, whether sent by phone, fax or mail. Usually within 48 hours of receipt of the order, medications will be sent via U.S. Mail or United Parcel Service along with instructions for future refills, if applicable. A full week should then be allowed for normal mail delivery. Anyone with questions may call NMOP member services, (800) 903-4680. A registered pharmacist is available for emergency consultations 24 hours a day, seven days a week at this NMOP number.

Online services are also available at Merck-Medco Managed Care Online. Visit www.merckmedco.com to refill mail service prescriptions, check the status of mail service prescriptions, request Department of Defense mail service envelopes and gain access to general health information.

YARD SALES

The following yard sales are scheduled for Saturday: 3416-B Smith St., 3417-A Smith St. and 2808-A Falcon St. All yard sales are held between 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

BASE THEATER

Today: "Down to Earth" (PG-13, language, sexual humor and some drug reference, 88 min.)

Saturday: "Down to Earth"

Sunday: "Get Over It" (PG-13, some crude sexual humor, teen drinking and language, 90 min.)

Thursday: "See Spot Run" (PG, crude humor, language and comic violence, 94 min.)

● All movies start at 7 p.m. except Sunday, which is 6 p.m.

Plan for your vacation at Travel Expedition 2001

Marcia A. Robertson
325th Services Squadron marketing

Most people at Tyndall Air Force Base don’t dream about lying on a warm beach during a relaxing afternoon. They don’t have to. The world’s most beautiful beaches are a few hundred yards away and folks can sneak off to enjoy them anytime. But if sugar-white sands and glistening blue waters aren’t a person’s idea of a vacation, the

325th Services Squadron’s Travel Expedition 2001 offers an abundance of travel and entertainment choices.

“The travel fair was developed to provide the base with information about vacation opportunities throughout the Southeast,” said Julie Ballaro, 325th Services Squadron community support flight chief. “It brings the travel vendors to the military.”

Now in its third year, Travel Expedition 2001 is hosted by ITT

(Information, Tickets and Tours). At least 50 vendors are participating in this year’s event that is really the culmination of a four-day traveling show that starts at the Pensacola Naval Station.

The vendors will have information about attractions or accommodations across Florida, the Southeast and other areas. Cypress Gardens, Disney World, Universal Studios and Medieval Times are just a sampling of the destinations that are scheduled to

be represented. A vendor with Shades of Green, the military on-site hotel at Disney World, is expected as well.

“We also have people from the Georgia Tourist Bureau and the Smokey Mountains on board,” said Ms. Ballaro.

Most of the vendors will be drawing for door prizes during the fair. To be eligible for these gifts, each adult visitor to the show will receive a Travel Expedition 2001 passport. Customers will need to get their passports stamped by a certain number of vendors. Give-aways range from dinners, attraction tickets and lodging to umbrellas, caps and shirts.

“We’ll be giving away three airline tickets,” said Wendy Poppell, 325th Services Squadron ITT manager. “They are good until early next year and are for anywhere in the continental United States.”

One distinct feature of Travel Expedition 2001 is that the vendors work specifically with military customers and can often offer them special discounts.

“These representatives are familiar with the military,” Ms. Poppell said. “They can answer questions that may be unique to the military traveler.”

The Travel Expedition vendors

move east across the panhandle, stopping at Hurlburt Field and Eglin Air Force Base before arriving at Tyndall. Although Eglin had its own fair in 1998, the initiative for a panhandle area show came from Tyndall.

“Our first contact with the travel fair was at Eglin,” said Ms. Ballaro. “We took that idea and expanded it into a regional fair.”

There are advantages to having such a regional travel event.

“Expanding the fair has made it more cost-effective for the vendors,” said Ms. Ballaro. “That means the vendors are willing to come so there are more representatives for the base people to meet.”

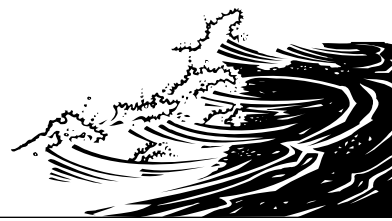
Although the Travel Expedition 2001 is a single event, the ITT office is available year-round to provide information about attractions, tours and accommodations. While not a travel agency, ITT can assist customers in getting information about worldwide travel options.

Travel Expedition 2001 will be at the community activities center from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on April 27. Anyone with a valid ID card is welcome. The Sports Page Pizza Pub & Grill will offer a special pizza buffet on that Friday in support of the fair. For more information, contact the ITT office at 283-2499.





Funshine NEWS



April 20, 2001

This page is produced by the 325th Services Marketing office, 283-4565.

Officers' Club

☎ 283-4357

Delicious Deals!

Try our great lunch specials only \$3.50

Ladies Night

Every Thursday, 6:30-8:30 p.m.
1/2 price drinks

Oh Shucks!

Every Friday at 4:30 p.m. It's oyster eating time in Checkers. \$3.50 per dozen

Tyndall Officer's Club

Comedy Night

Featuring:
Just June, Kurt G. & Emmett Furow

Have your spouse or friends meet you at the club. Tickets will be available at the O-club.

\$7 per person • \$1 Drafts • \$1.50 wells

April 20 • Showtime 7 p.m.Members & Bona Fide Guests only
Free Popcorn & Pretzels**283-4357**All
Ranks

Skeet & Trap Range

☎ 283-3855

Change in Operating Hours

The range will be open on Tuesday, Saturday, and Sunday starting June 2 from 9 a.m. til 1 p.m.

Sealed Bids

May 1, 5, 6, 8, 12, 13, 15

Customers will be able to bid on selected items. This will be a sealed bid system. Participants must put their name, address, phone numbers, amount of bid and item number on their form. Items sold "as is".

Enlisted Club

☎ 283-4146

Lunch Buffets

Mon. - Thurs. \$4.95, Fri. \$6.95

Mondays - Changes Weekly

Tuesdays - All you can eat Sirloin Steak

Wednesdays - Meat & Potatoes

Thursdays - Country Cookin' Buffet

Fridays - Seafood w/ Spiced Shrimp

Happenings In the Zone

■ Fridays:

Marvelous Marvin: 5 p.m. - 1 a.m.

■ Saturdays:

Robert Wright: 8 p.m. - midnight

Happy Birthday

Members, stop by the business office and pick up your birthday month coupon.

Country Fried Steak Buffet

Thursday Evenings

\$3.50 adults, \$2.50 children

Prime Rib Buffet

Every Saturday

\$12.95 per person

Information, Tickets & Tours

☎ 283-2499

Special Hours

ITT will close at 2 p.m. on April 26 to prepare for the Travel Show and on Friday, April 27 all day for the show. Stop by and see us at the Community Activities Center on that day.

Tallahassee, Florida Shopping Special

May 12. Cost per person is \$10. Visit both malls and shop til you drop. Departure time is 7 a.m. Return time is 5 p.m.

Bonita Bay

☎ 286-3199

Improved Customer Service!

The reservation policy is on a first come basis. This will allow squadron's ample time to make plans far enough in advance to support their unit functions.

Bike the St. Marks Trail

May 5, Cost per person \$5

Participants will have the option to ride the paved converted Rails to Trails 16 mile option or off road on the Munson Trail in Tallahassee. Bike loading begins at 7 a.m. Bring lunch, plenty of fluids and bike bottles. Return by 6 p.m.

Kayak Lessons

May 20, 10 a.m., Cost per person \$30

Teaches the basics of kayaking and paddling. Learn kayak design, maneuverability, safety, self recovery and assisted recovery. Bring lunch, plenty of fluids, hat sunblock, water shoes & towel.

Lodging NAF Property Sale

May 3, 1-3 p.m. at Bldg. 1138

(Next to K9 Unit)

Call 283-4210 for more information.

Community Activities Ctr.

☎ 283-2495

Secretaries Day - April 25

Special: 3 Latex balloons, 1 secretary mug, and 1 bag mocha latte for \$10. We have gifts for.

Belly Dance Classes

Both start May 3. Sign up by May 2.

Beginners Class: 6:30-7:30 p.m., \$30 per person for 4 weeks.

Advanced Class: 7:30-8:30 p.m., \$30 per person for 4 weeks.

CAC Pizza Pub

☎ 283-3222

Catch the Baseball Action

All of the Pro-Major league baseball games will be here from April 1 to Sept. 30. (Local black out rules apply). Food specials during the games will include: \$2 beer pitchers and large single topping pizzas for \$8.95. Drawings and giveaways will also be going on. Stop by and check it out!

Youth Center

☎ 286-4366

Tennis 1-2-3

■ **3-5 yr. olds.** May 8, 10, 15, 17, 22, 24 at 4 p.m. Cost is \$25 (includes t-shirt).■ **6-7 yr olds.** May 9, 11, 16, 18, 23, 25 at 4 p.m. Cost is \$20 for members & \$30 for nonmembers (includes t-shirt).**The Youth Center will be closed on Sat., April 21 for painting.**

Marina Club

☎ 283-3059

Spanish Mackerel Tourney

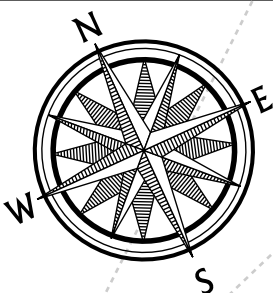
April 28, Begins at 7 a.m., scales close at 3:30 p.m. Entry fee is \$20 per boat.

Evening Dining

The Marina Grill is now open in the evening Tues.-Sat. 6-8 p.m. offering our full menu and weekly specials. All ranks. Membership is not required for grill.

Pontoon Boat Rental

Call for prices and more information.



Travel Expedition 2001

Tyndall AFB, Florida

Information, Tickets, and Tours will be presenting various vendors of vacation opportunities:

April 27, 2001 • 10 a.m.-2 p.m.**At the Community Activities Center****Amusement Parks • Motels • Dinner Theaters
and more will be represented at this show.**

For more information call ITT at 283-2495



Pelican Point Golf Course

AETC Golf Championship Base Level Competition

April 21, 22, 28, 29 • 8 a.m.

**Command level tournament to be held at Randolph AFB
1st weekend in June.**

This tournament consists of 4 rounds of golf to be played over two consecutive weekends. There will be a Men's Open, Senior Men's, Women's Open and Senior Women's categories. The golfers in this tournament will be playing for the opportunity to represent Tyndall AFB at the command level tournament.

For more information call: 286-2565

●From EARTH Page 8

325th Civil Engineer Squadron, Natural Resources chief, said, “The kids from Tyndall Elementary School will plant the trees as they have in the past. Teachers have the opportunity to take the kids along the nature trail during the springtime and do presentations.” The goal is to get a variety of historical trees planted along the trail that is open to the public and to upgrade the trail so it shows the different habitats found on Tyndall.

Trees are not the only things being planted this year. Continuing an annual tradition, there will be over 30,000 sea oats seedlings planted during June with the assistance of students at Rutherford High School. The high school students help build approximately two miles of snow fencing and plant the sea oats seedlings on Shell Island, Crooked Island east and west and Tyndall beach. The sea oats and snow fence regenerate the sand dunes

suffering from erosion. This benefits endangered beach mice found on Tyndall’s beaches along with providing vegetation and a place for the nesting sea turtles to lay their eggs.

During April, the children at Tyndall Elementary School will be participating in numerous events. On Monday, in observance of Earth Day, 13 classes have signed up to participate in activities tailored to fit the age and grade level of the children. Just as they did last year, the school is participating in the “Old Phone Book Recycling Contest.” This teaches children the benefits of recycling.

The children will also plant seeds in the vegetable garden and butterfly garden. They will have the opportunity to provide the proper maintenance to watch the plant grow from seed to maturity, build birdhouses and feeders from recycled plastic soda bottles and pine cones found around the school. They will also be making statues out of recycled materials and building wind

chimes out of driftwood and metal lids collected by the children. Mrs. Renee Townes, an environmental program volunteer said, “The school works hard to teach the children how they are good stewards of the earth. Their motto is “Grow to Learn, Learn to Grow.”

Natural Resources, with the help of the youth center, schools and youth groups, keeps the nature trails and beaches clean. Periodically, cleanup crews pick up trash along the beaches and nature trails to keep these areas clean.

Mr. Bates said, “All of this is being done to keep the environment healthy. If you have a clean-looking environment, people are not as apt to just throw something on the ground, they are likely to put it in a trash can or carry it back with them. Do your part. If you carry it in, carry it out. Every day is Earth Day.”

The recycling center is continuing their efforts to preserve the environment. Bob Myers, Tyndall recycling coordinator, said, “In 2000, the recy-

cling center utilized over 1,179 tons of recyclable materials yielding a revenue, saving the government an estimated \$117,000. Their efforts benefit the environment by reusing materials instead of sending them to a landfill or incinerator.” There are various locations throughout the base where recyclable materials may be dropped off, including across from Burger King, at the lemon lot and at the flightline side of the base by the barbershop.

Whether it’s planting trees, sea oats seedlings, picking up trash or recycling, there is something everyone can do to help. Everybody’s affected by these events. If you’re interested in providing assistance with one of these events, you may contact the natural resources office at 283-2641, Tyndall Elementary School at 286-6481 or the youth activities center at 283-4326. If you have any questions or comments regarding recycling, contact Mr. Bob Myers or his staff at 283-2276 or the housing contractor at 286-6495.

Dental Assisting Program

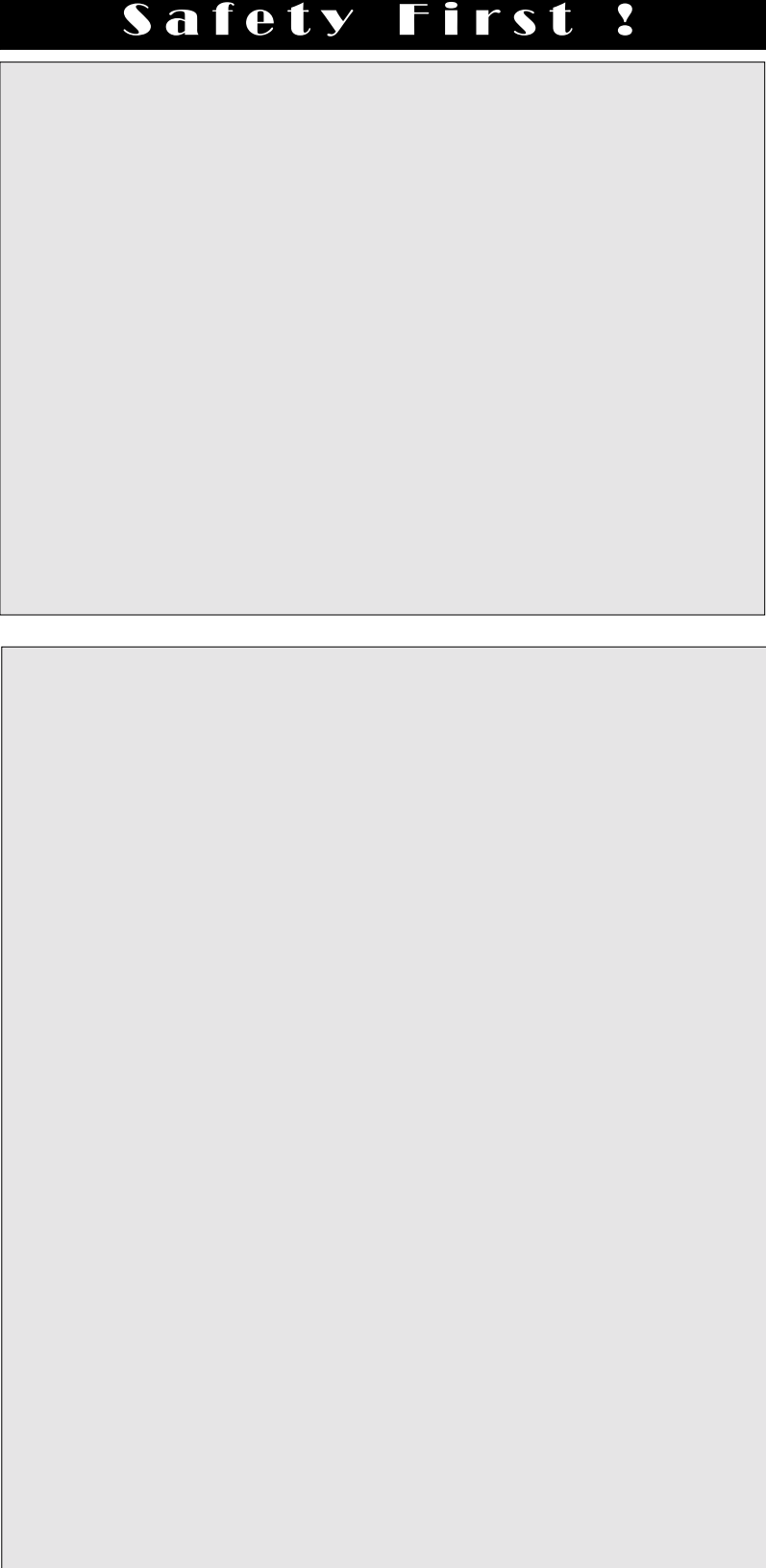
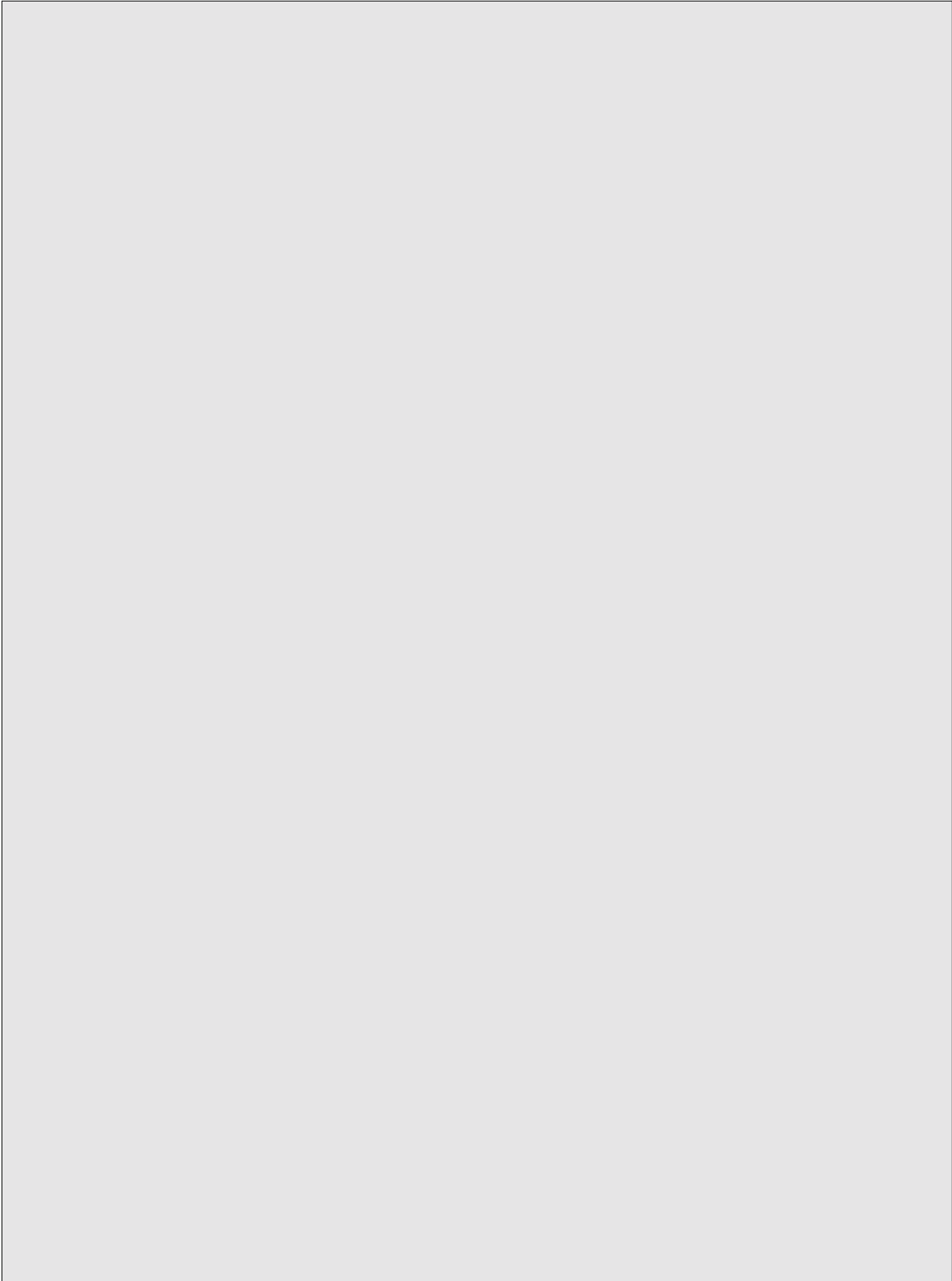
The 325th Dental Flight continues to accept applications for the American Red Cross sponsored volunteer dental assistant training program. Up to five applicants will be chosen for the comprehensive six-month, hands-on training course.

For more information on the program, call Tech.

Sgt. Richard Cotterman at 283-7590.



Safety First !



Sports & Fitness

Volleyball standings		
	W	L
Large squadron		
OSS 1	6	0
CONR 1	5	1
OSS 2	5	1
1FS	6	2
MDG	5	2
MSS	6	3
TRS 1	4	2
COMM 1	5	3
SEADS 1	3	5
CES	3	5
SEADS 2	2	6
CONR 2	2	7
TRS 2	1	6
95 FS	1	5
COMM 2	1	7
Small squadron		
81 TSS	8	0
AFCESA	7	1
NCOA	5	2
RHS	5	3
TEST	4	4
MXS	2	6
372 TRS	2	6
83 FWS	1	6
SVS	1	7

Intramural golf standings		
	Total points	Makeup Games
Large squadron		
MSS 1	29	
CES	20	2
MDG	19.5	
OSS	18.5	
CONR 2	18	
CONR 1	15	
TRS	13.5	
COMM	13	1
95FS	11	
SEADS	7	
CONR 3	6	
MSS2	3.5	1
Small squadron		
MXS	30.5	
SVS	23.5	
AFCESA	21	
85TS	18	
LSS	15.5	
83FWS	14	
362TRS	12.5	1
372TRS	3	1



Team set for second half of intramural volleyball

2nd Lt. Jon Cartwright
325th Fighter Wing
public affairs

Taking onto the court their combined experience from beach volleyball and solid teamwork from the office, the Non-Commissioned Officer Academy volleyball team not only improves cohesion, they have a lot of fun doing it. They have also picked up a solid 5-2 record in the process.

Ramon Coriano, the coach and main setter, is one of the four NCOA instructors on the team. Other instructors include Kevin Sater, Frederick Villareal and Mark Bauer. Finishing up the team are Clifford Otto, Timothy Glines and Mark Peters, first sergeant for the NCOA.

“We like to see how we size up against other units,” Sater said. “It will be good to see what we can do against the larger squadrons.” The NCOA is a part of the small team bracket. The

larger team bracket consists of squadrons with more than one team. The base championship tournament will consist of four teams in the small and large squadrons having the best records. They will participate in a double-elimination tournament at the end of the season, which is now less than a month away. Games start at 6 p.m. and end with a 9:15 p.m. game, Monday through Friday in the Tyndall Fitness Center, Building 939. “The Intramural sports program is ideal for getting a great workout in while building better friendships with co-workers,” Sater said. “The communication and leadership skills acquired out on the court or field will be an asset in the office.” For more information on intramural volleyball and future intramural sports, contact your unit sports representative or the base fitness center at 283-2631.



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Ramon Coriano smiles as he watches his set get spiked by Mark Peters. Fred Villareal, far right, looks on as Kevin Sater, far left, attempts to block the volleyball, during the NCOA's team warmup.